

HOME NEWS

JANUARY, 1 1897.

Miss Alice Pullins is visiting in Marlinton.

Big oyster supper at Huntersville Thursday night. A large number of invitation have been issued.

Do not allow your system to get weak and debilitated. It is easy to keep well and strong by taking Hood's Sarsaparilla.

Mrs Susan Carter has opened a wayside inn at her residence, one mile west of Huntersville, and is prepared to entertain travelers in a good substantial style.

CHRISTMAS night the young people of the Levels met at the home of Mr Ellis McCarty and had a delightful social. Misses Mattie Curry and Grace McCarty did the honors of the evening.

He—Woman is a delusion and a snare.

She—Is that why men are always hugging a delusion and being caught by a snare.—Washington Times.

MILL POINT and Marlinton played a game of foot ball last Saturday at Mill Point, score 1 to 0 in favor of Marlinton. Marlinton played 9 men against 12 of Mill Point.

Seventy-five thousand is the number of public places said to have been covered by civil service rules under President Cleveland's administration. We are unable to vouch for the accuracy of the figures, but certainly the number is very large. Republicans who aspire to public positions will see how much their chance is diminished. Many a deserving and capable man will have to get along without the thing he would like to have.

Logging operations are not much retarded by Christmas festivities, in the different camps. Owing to the long slides to be made, it looks as if the drive may be deferred to March or April, unless there be unusual sliding weather. Capt. Boggs has returned to Anthony's Creek. Capt. Irvine is in charge of the Cummings Creek camp. There is a jam a mile from White's towards the top of the mountain the result of temporary boom put in by the order of Smith and Whiting.

CHRISTMAS Eve was passed in a most enjoyable manner by the West Marlinton school, Miss Alfie Baxter, teacher. A large and beautiful Christmas Tree, bending beneath its burden of gifts, was the admiration of all present. The room was profusely decorated with boughs and festoons of evergreen and appropriate mottoes skillfully arranged. After dialogues were spoken, poems and speeches recited, the gifts were distributed and a better satisfied and happier group of children and young people would be hard to find. Each pupil received a souvenir, presented by the teacher. It was booklet having the names of teacher, trustees and pupils printed in bronze, and is very nicely gotten up indeed.

MASON GREEN was arrested by R. K. Burns, deputy-sheriff, last week, and placed in jail at this point to be handed over to the Virginia authorities upon requisition being made for him. He is indicted in the Bath County Court for stealing a mule from a negro, and is known as a lawless man and a thorough degenerate. He has been in Pocahontas some months, and has been accused of selling as much as \$13 worth of poultry at once, and at a time too when citizens of the upper end of the county have lost corresponding numbers of turkeys and chickens. Some six or seven years ago he figured in the criminal courts of this county. First he was tried for stealing a Bible from a church and had confessed to the theft. It was shown, however, that inducements had been held out to him by a special constable who had arrested him, and evidence concerning it was ruled out, and he was cleared on lack of evidence. In 1890 he was indicted for breaking and entering an outhouse of the late Andrew Dilley. He was convicted and sentenced to five years in the penitentiary. He is a tough citizen. During that trial he conducted himself with such a show of insolence and bravado that he did not have a friend in court. When asked by the judge whether he had anything to say why sentence should not be passed upon him, he gave some flippant answer. The judge then said that in offenses of this sort he had been in the habit extending the mercy of the court, and making the sentence two years but in this case he would simply add three years for his demeanor in the court during the trial, and succeeded in impressing him with the dignity of the court.

Mrs JOHN WAUGH, of the Mt. Pleasant neighborhood, has a turkey hen that seems to have a fine single move on her. This enterprising bird has reared one brood and is now incubating a second with flattering prospects of success. Unless Clover Creek or Split Rock report something better, this is the champion mother-bird of Pocahontas.

On the night of the 19th of Dec. the Three Friends, a filibustering steamer, attempted to land troops and munitions of war in Cuba. It was pursued and attacked by two gunboats, and fired upon. It was not injured and upon returning the fire, the Spanish boats withdrew hastily and disappeared, and a safe landing was effected. This counts as the first naval victory of the Cuban war.

A BOARD of arbitration sat in the borough of Academy last Saturday night, with disastrous results. It seems that last fall J. W. Walton of Walter Clark borrowed one overcoat, and did not return it. Mr Clark complained of the said Mr Walton that he had worn the coat badly, and that further he had lent it to a negro man, who was more particularly described as not being fit to be followed by a white man in the use of clothes. The board awarded the plaintiff six dollars, and that is how it all began. Walton followed Clark, and public sentiment blames him with all he got. Clark spoiled his face and dislocated his shoulder, and did otherwise wound, beat, and afflict him, the said Joseph Walton, much against the peace and dignity of the State. Clark is a powerful man and was thoroughly enraged, and it took all that four men could do to keep him from further injuring his adversary. Walton had to have medical attention and was badly used up for several days. The affair happened within the corporate limits of the town.

Personal Mention.

Captain W. L. McNeel, of Academy, is very unwell. It is reported Wm. Burgess has an attack of fever.

Miss Eva Moore, of Academy, is at home from the Staunton Wesleyan Institute, for the holidays.

Summers and Winters McNeel are spending Christmas in Charlottesville. The University gave no holidays.

Paul Dever has returned to Pocahontas for a short while.

D. S. Hankla, a law student at Washington and Lee, is visiting friends in the Levels.

Miss Pelly Sydenstricker is making her home with T. A. Sydenstricker.

Miss Anette Ligon and Yancey Ligon spent several days with friends in the Levels.

Paul Guin, of Highland, was at Academy, last week.

Lee Military Academy.

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Notice.

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DIED.

Mrs ELLA J. DYKARD. Mrs Ella Dykard, wife of L. J. R. Dykard, near Traveler's Repose, died very suddenly of neuralgia of the heart, Sunday night, December 20th, aged 30 years. She was a daughter of the late David MacLaughlin, near Driftwood, and was a very estimable lady. Her death is lamented very sincerely by a large circle of attached friends. Though her decease was so unexpected yet all who know her feel that it was safe. In early youth she professed piety, and her outward life adorned her profession.

Mrs J. L. McNEEL. Mrs J. Luther McNeel, of Laurel Run, died December 18th, aged about twenty five years. She was a step daughter of Mr. George White, a well known citizen of that neighborhood. Mrs McNeel was a kind neighbor and an industrious house-keeper, and these young people had good prospects before them. Her sickness was lingering and she gradually passed away, leaving mother, husband and little children to mourn her long absence.

MISS QUAILDE BEARD. Died Monday, Decemr ber, 21st near Green Bank, of diabetic troubles, Miss Quaide Beard, daughter of Mr. and Mrs Josiah Beard, aged about twenty one years. She was a very interesting person. Miss Quaide and her twin sister Bettie were teachers in our schools; she was fond of her work and there was every promise of marked usefulness in this very responsible service. The young people mourn in her death an esteemed friend; her family is bereaved of loved sister and daughter, and the county is deprived of the services of a faithful teacher.

MRS REBECCA KINNISSON. This estimable lady, died at her home near Hillsboro, Saturday evening at nine o'clock. She had been a great sufferer for several months from a cancer. She had known herself to be a victim of this dread disease for a long time, but bore the knowledge silently in order that her friends might be spared the pain of knowing it, and it was not until this fall that the disease developed to such an extent that it could not be longer concealed. She is the widow of David Kinnison. Three children survive her, one son and two daughters. She belonged to the Lewis family. She was buried last Monday at the McNeel cemetery. The services were conducted by Rev J. H. Dills, pastor of the M. E. Church, South, to which faith she belonged. Her age was 57. She was much esteemed, and will always be remembered as a kind neighbor and sincere friend.

A Reunion.

Messrs Oscar and Guy Slavin, sons of the late Randolph Slavin, Esq., of Huntersville, are now living in Kansas. These gentlemen, with their families, are visiting their Pocahontas friends and relatives at the present time.

On Christmas day a very pleasant reception was tendered them by their mother, Mrs M. P. Slavin, and Mr and Mrs L. M. McClintie, with whom she makes her home. Mr and Mrs S. L. Brown and Mrs J. H. Patterson were also present. For the first time in several years Mrs Slavin and her four surviving children thus enjoyed a delightful reunion, as rarely occurs in the history of families, or could be more enjoyable, when all the circumstances come to be considered.

Mrs Slavin is not only endeared to her sons and daughters as one of the most devoted and self-sacrificing of mothers, but she is more-over held in highest esteem by numerous relatives and acquaintances for all the qualities of mind and heart that constitute a model lady. Her life's history has been one of changes, blended with pleasant scenes and sorrowful vicissitudes; yet in reference to it all her testimony is that goodness and mercy have followed her all the days of her life. The memories of the recent reunion will be fondly cherished by her as an emblem of a final reunion that makes the future very pleasant and hopeful.

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Who Stole the Steer?

H. Nathan, a Jew, who lives on Williams River, was arrested last Tuesday upon complaint of Col. Levi Gay, charging him with having stolen a red and white spotted, two-year old steer, of the value of twenty-one dollars, making it thus a felony charge. He was brought before a magistrate at Marlinton, and on his motion the hearing was continued and set for next Saturday at ten o'clock. W. A. Bratton is his counsel. The prisoner was recognized in the sum of \$1000 to appear at that time. His sureties were W. A. Shearer, W. H. Shearer, Miss G. M. Shearer, Miss Rose Shearer, and Mrs H. B. Nathan, his wife. The State recognized the following witnesses in the sum of \$100 each to appear: S. J. Gay, J. B. Waugh, W. E. Sharp, and J. C. Bogger.

The tale that hangs to this somewhat sensational arrest is about as follows: In October, Col. Gay, who holds the position of Sheriff, missed one of his carefully treasured steers from his herd on Williams River, and has kept his eye skinned ever since for some trace of the animal. There was no way of telling what had become of it as its body had not been found. Last week, "Devil" Sam Gay went to the Levels to move some effects from H. Nathan's former home, in Academy, to Williams River. In the barn he saw that a green hide had at some time been peddled in a coffee-sack, and it seems that he suspected that this was the hide of the lost steer.

He examined it and found it in a disgusting condition from the maggots with which it was infested, but he clearly recognized it from the spots on it to be all that was left of the unfortunate steer. Word having reached Col. Gay, he sued out a search-warrant and caused the premises to be searched, and he also recognized the hide as being that of the lost steer, and further found his hand on it. He brands with a circular brand about an inch and a half in diameter on the left hip. The hide had been skinned down the jaws, but the ears had been cut off, showing that there was something sinister in the skinning. Other evidence, we understand, will be introduced by the State.

Nathan claims that the hide was placed in his barn by other parties to throw suspicion on him, and is proposed to show that he has had no beef of that description this fall, and is prepared to prove by members of his household that the hide could not have been in the barn any length of time. We will give a full account of the evidence next week.

Dilley's Mill.

We have been having winter weather. The Christmas tree fell through at Frost. Some of the young people attended the Christmas tree at Dunmore and report a fine tree. There was quite a lot of whiskey and a few rackets.

James Hively was at home for Christmas, and then went to Pendleton on business.

F. L. Fertig came home to spend the holidays.

Harman Sharp is visiting friends in these parts.

Miss Lena Kinnison was called home to see her mother, who died on Saturday. Consequently there is no school.

G. E. Moore and Bracl Sharp went to Hillsboro on Sunday.

There was an interesting sing at Frost on Sunday.

Some of the boys took their girls to the entertainment at Marlinton.

A L. Dilley went to the Xmas tree at Edray.

John Shrader, who went to Millboro for the Frost merchants, had the misfortune to lose his pocket book, but he found it in the ford of Knapp's Creek, after a hunt of a day and a half.

John Andrew Moore dehorned cattle for Messrs Dilley, Grimes and Fertig.

Executer Sale of Valuable Personal Property. As executor of Jacob Sharp, dec'd., I will on Tuesday, January, 12th 1897, at the Home Place near Edray in Pocahontas county, proceed to sell by way of public auction to the highest bidder the following personal property of the estate of the said Jacob Sharp, to-wit: 13 Head of two year old steers. 4 yearling cattle. 4 Cows. 2 Horses. 20 Hogs. About one half of the hay on the place. 50 bushels of oats and a lot of corn. Farming Utensils. Terms made known on day of sale. A. N. BARLOW, Exor.

MINGO 2, MARLINTON 2.

The Mingo Football Game an Excitement Not Soon to be Forgotten.—Declared a Draw.

Tuesday morning, December 22, a strong team of football players started from Marlinton, with every prospect for fine weather, to play the return game of the series with Mingo. About noon, however, it came on to snow, and some of the more faint-hearted were for turning back forthwith; but the majority declared that having put the hand to the plow, and advanced so far on their journey, they would see the thing thro.

Arrived at Mingo, the team was housed at the hospitable home of Mr Arthur Lawson, who spared no pains to entertain his guests.

The next day the weather showed no abatement, but it was decided that the game should go on. It was thought questionable whether the spectators would be sufficient in number to supply the usual quota of officials, referee, linesmen, etc. But the natives showed their mettle by turning out to the number of fifty at least. One lady watched the game from start to finish.

Marlinton won the toss, and elected to defend the west goal. The wind was blowing almost directly across the field. The ball was quickly carried into Mingo territory, and kept there some time. It looked as tho Marlinton would have little difficulty in scoring. Marlinton sent in a ball, which was stopped by Lawson, but he was charged and fell with the ball in his hands, the visitors charging a goal. However, nearly all the players of both teams rushed in and engaged in a regular struggle over Lawson, who on his hands and knees was rapidly crawling with the ball to the center of the field. Play went on without any penalty being allowed for violation of rule by the goal-keeper, nor was the goal allowed. The ball was passed in and Price had a lucky try for goal. Then the play sought the other end, and Miles equalized with a goal for Mingo! Wilson was fouled at a time when a goal for Marlinton seemed a foregone conclusion, but no notice whatever was taken of it by the referee. A kick-off by Mingo was blocked by Price, the ball bounding thro the goal, and half-time was called with the score standing 2-1 in the visitor's favor. In the second half the play was all over the field. E. Hadden scored the nearest goal of the game by a low, swift shot, tying the score.

The game was marred by an unfortunate dispute or two, caused by the bad state of the ground and the consequent looseness of the play. Marlinton—P. Yeager (goal), Bird Slavin, McLaughlin (h. b.), J. H. G. Wilson, L. Yeager, Anderson, Simmons, Price (forwards.)

Mingo—Lawson (goal), Lindsay, J. Hadden (back), R. Tuke, Dukers, M. Gatewood (h. b.), E. Hadden, Miles, Earnshaw, Grews, Ramsey (forwards.) Jack Forster, referee; linesmen, Edwin Hall and Guy Marshall.

Lindsay played a fine game at back, and Lawson guarded Mingo's goal with great coolness. L. A. Yeager, back at his old place in the forward line, after a brilliant season at the University, made many a good run-up. Slavin, at half, earned much praise for his sure kicking.

Going down Elk the Marlinton crowd was greeted with derision, the school-children enroute clearing Mingo to the echo. The "Iron-clads" were engaging in a little practice game on Hugh Sharp's land. Their yells could be heard long before they were seen, while their forms, dimly discerned thro the thickly-falling snow, looked like those of giants, indeed.

The expedition returned to Marlinton on Thursday, there being many points of resemblance to the return of an Arctic exploring party. Each member was restored safe and sound to the bosom of his anxious family. It is reported that one or two have "swore off" playing football.

The progressive ladies of Westfield, Ind., issued a "Woman's Edition" of the Westfield News, bearing date of April 3, 1896. The paper is filled with matter of interest to women, and we notice the following from a correspondent, which the editors printed, realizing that it treats upon a matter of vital importance to their sex: "The best remedy for croup, colds and bronchitis that I have been able to find is Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. For family use it has no equal. I gladly recommend it." 25 and 50 cent bottles for sale by druggists.

A machine makes 8,000 pins hourly.

FLORENCE, Ala., has prohibited Sunday slaves.

D. L. MOODY, the evangelist is to begin a series of revival meetings in Boston on January 1.

The Entertainment.

For some time past Marlinton has been flooded with "green goods" men, dealers in spruce pine and other decorative herbs; and in response to a persuasive circular sent out thro The Times, there was a wonderful list of "comeons" assembled at a given time, and what appeared to one who was a bit late, a taken place, on Tuesday evening.

By seven o'clock the old courthouse was packed with people from everywhere, a great many people I never saw before. Then the curtain parted in twain, greatly to the astonishment of one lady who was expecting to see it roll up evidently; and another of those amusing entertainment games was "worked off" on a guileless audience. Gay jokes and funny sayings were thrown off the stage and exploded all around us for fully four hours, and we had nothing to do but smile and look glad. One joke, in Mark Twain's interview, whizzed over the heads of the people and fell with a dull thud near me. I picked it up and took it home to examine at my leisure. But I understood pretty near else that was said immediately.

Everybody was entertained, and there was no police interference. The entertainment was evidently arranged from the "Jumble Book." Pistols and bottles and coffee-pots, blended harmoniously with pretty girls and roses, and a bewildering array of beautiful costumes.

It would not be very easy to distinguish a best one among the many pieces. Those most admired from where I was were the Chinese Dance. The Brigand's Death was especially good. Marguerite, the Gypsy Fortune Teller. These were the tragical favorites. Those in lighter vein, which caused loud smiles, were "His Exact Age," "The New Squire" marrying his first pair of lovers, and another piece I don't know the name of. It must be heard to be appreciated. For those who like such things, and to whom the tragedy and anguish of drunkenness is amusing, there was a rare piece provided.

The young gentlemen and ladies deserve much praise for their tireless and unselfish efforts in giving their friends a good evening. I venture to say this entertainment will be remembered by both actors and audience when the slim, wasp-like figures of happy youth have changed to the stout, bumble-bee size of age, for it is something to be remembered!

Persons who are troubled with indigestion will be interested in the experience of Wm. H. Penn, chief clerk in the railway mail service at Des Moines, Iowa, who writes: "It gives me pleasure to testify to the merits of Chamberlain's Cholera, Colic and Diarrhoea remedy. For two years I have suffered from indigestion, and am subject to violent attacks of pain in the stomach and bowels. One or two doses of this remedy never fails to give perfect relief. Price 25 and 50 cents; sold by all druggists."

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